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for

METHOD OF MANUFACTURING PIPE BODY AND  
PIPE BODY MANUFACTURED BY THE METHOD  
Title

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- XX 87 sheets of xx informal \_\_\_\_\_ formal drawings.
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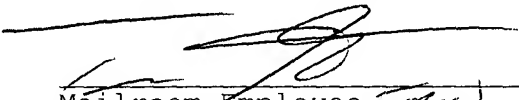
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